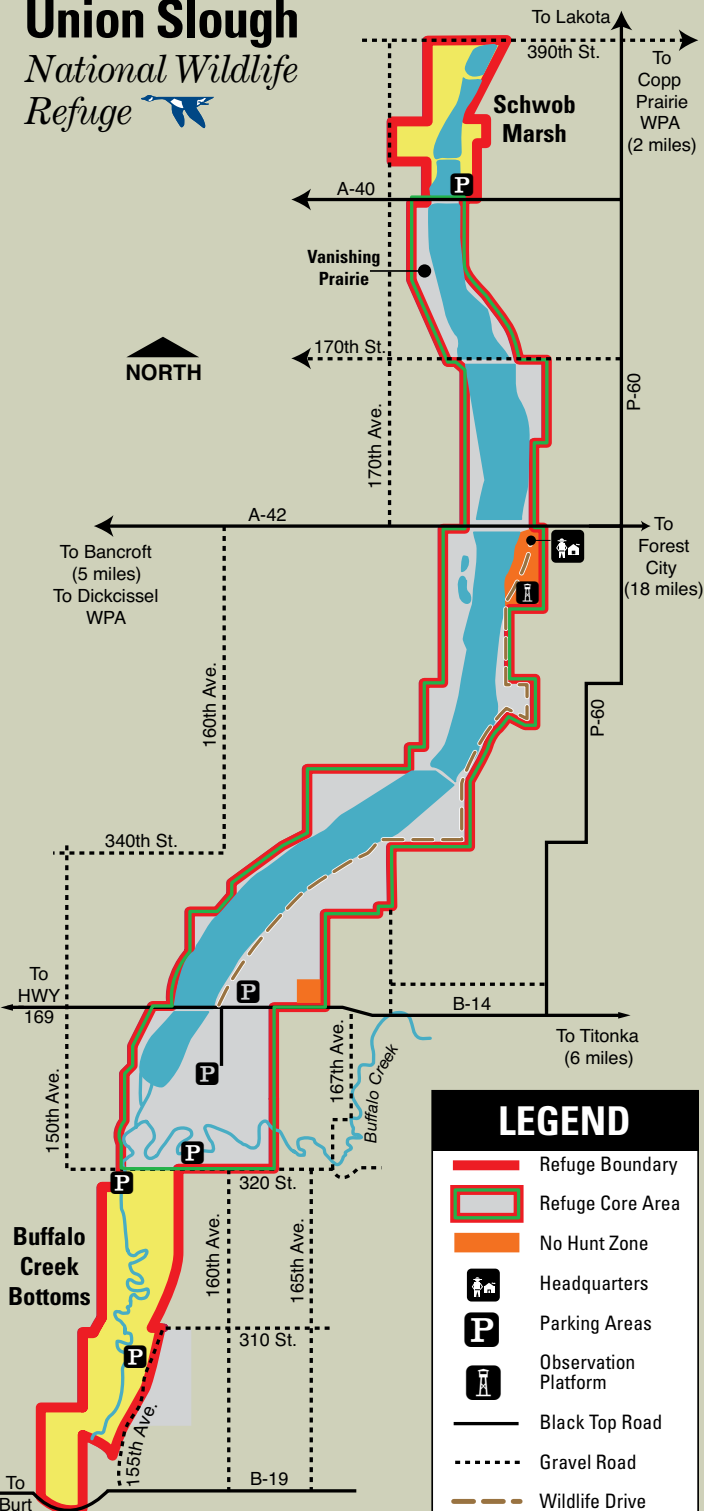


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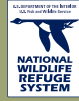


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Hunting Regulations &  
Map



<i>Artificial</i>	<b>General Regulations</b> The use of artificial lights, including auto head lights, for the purpose of locating wildlife is prohibited.
<i>Boats</i>	Boats, canoes or other floating devices are allowed for migratory bird hunting only. Gasoline and electric motors are permitted. Air-thrust boats are prohibited. Boats, canoes, or other floating devices may not be left unattended. A Coast Guard-approved personal floatation device is required for each person in the boat.
<i>Camping</i>	Camping or other overnight use is prohibited.
<i>Disturbance</i>	Disturbing, injuring, destroying, collecting, or attempting to disturb, injure, destroy, or collect any plant or animal is prohibited. However, hunting is allowed as outlined in this leaflet.
<i>Dogs</i>	All dogs not used for hunting must be confined to a vehicle at all times. Training of dogs is not allowed.

*Firearms &  
Other Weapons*

Target shooting is prohibited.

*Fires* All fires are prohibited.

*Introduction  
of Plants &  
Animals*

Plants and animals, or their parts, taken elsewhere, shall not be introduced, liberated, or placed on any part of the refuge.

*Vehicles*

Motorized vehicles are permitted in parking areas and in field entrances only. Vehicles and operators must be properly licensed. Off-road vehicle use is prohibited. Use of All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs), snowmobiles, etc. is prohibited at all times.

*General*

### Hunting Regulations

Hunting is allowed subject to the following conditions:

- You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while in the field.
- The use of hunting dogs is allowed, provided that the dogs remain under the immediate control of the hunter.
- Entry into any closed area to retrieve downed game is prohibited, unless the hunter has received written permission from the refuge manager.
- Hunting on road right-of-ways on any portion of the refuge not open to hunting is prohibited. The road right-of-way extends to the center of the road.
- Temporary blinds, stands, platforms, scaffolds, ladders, etc. may be constructed using manmade materials or natural vegetation found on the refuge. Bringing plant or their parts onto the refuge is prohibited.
- All decoys, stands, blinds, platforms, ladders, boats, other floating devices, and all other personal property must be removed from the refuge at the end of each day.

### Migratory Game Bird Hunting

Hunting of ducks, geese, coots, rails (Virginia and sora only), woodcock, and snipe on the Buffalo Creek Bottoms and Schwob Marsh of the refuge is allowed in accordance with State regulations, subject to the following condition:

- Hunters are allowed on the refuge from 1 hour before legal sunrise until ½ hour after legal sunset.

### Upland Game Hunting

Hunting of pheasants, gray partridge, rabbit (cottontail and jack), squirrel (fox and gray), groundhog, raccoon, opossum, fox, coyote, and crow on the Buffalo Creek Bottoms and Schwob Marsh (North Unit) of the refuge, and in the Core Area, is allowed in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:





- Pheasant and gray partridge hunting is allowed in the Core Area during the last five days of the State established pheasant hunting season.
- Hunters may only enter the refuge from 8:00 am until 4:30 pm.
- The possession of shotgun slugs is prohibited.

### Big Game Hunting

Hunting of deer and turkey on the Buffalo Creek Bottoms and Schwob Marsh of the refuge in is allowed in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

- Deer and turkey hunters are allowed to enter the refuge from ½ hour before legal sunrise until ½ hour after legal sunset.
- Deer hunters using shotguns may only possess shot shells that shoot a single projectile (i.e. slugs).
- Deer and turkey hunting in the Core Area is prohibited at all times.

### Refuge Signs – Know Their Meaning!

 <p><b>NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE</b> <b>BOUNDARY</b> Consult Staff for Regulations U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR</p>	<p>Refuge Boundary- Consult staff for current regulations before entering.</p>	 <p><b>AREA BEYOND THIS SIGN CLOSED</b> All public entry prohibited</p>	<p>All public entry is prohibited beyond this sign.</p>
 <p><b>NO HUNTING ZONE</b></p>	<p>The area behind this sign is closed to all hunting.</p>	 <p><b>WATERFOWL PRODUCTION AREA</b>  OPEN TO HUNTING UNAUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED NO VEHICLES Purchased with Duck Stamp Dollars U.S. Department of the Interior FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE</p>	<p>The area behind this sign is open to all hunting, fishing, and trapping as prescribed by State Law.</p>

*This leaflet is a summary of those authorized and prohibited activities on Union Slough National Wildlife Refuge pertaining to hunting. All other activities are prohibited unless specifically authorized by a special use permit. A complete list of regulations pertaining to the use of National Wildlife Refuges can be found in Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 25-32.*